

# Moyle's The Man



MEET YOUR KNEW  
PRESIDENT, TIM MOYLE.

Results of the Students General Association's election, held this Tuesday and Wednesday, were a matter of extremes. Tim Moyle, with a total of 240 votes in his favour, easily outdistanced his nearest competitor, Mike Sabo, who took 184 of the total of 599 votes cast. The third candidate, Bill Bradley, received 137 votes.

At the other end of the scale, Marsha Mitzak has become the next Vice-president of the SGA with 257 votes, only 11 votes ahead of Neil Marchuk, who received 246.

Jim Fuchs was the loser of the Senate contest with his 218 votes. This, too, was a cliff-hanger, as the spread came between Terry Knowles (274), Bill Fleming (240), James Waddell (239) and Gord Revey

(226). The latter four will form the student representation on next year's Laurentian University Senate.

By far the widest split was seen in the referendum held over whether college and faculty councils should receive an increase in the fees in the year 1979/1980. 438 students voted against such an increase, while 121 were in favour of the increase, which would have been the first in over five years.

The breakdown by polls tended to agree with the eventual results of the election. Tim Moyle won in all polls but Huntingdon, while Fuchs lost in all polls but Science II. The Mitzak/Marchuk contest was close in all polls, with the decision coming out of the Great Hall. The No vote in the

referendum easily won in all polls.

Presidential victor Tim Moyle had this to say about his victory:

I would like to thank all the people who voted in this election, both for myself and the other candidates. I look forward to a successful year working with the other executive and council members fortunate enough to have been elected.

Next year will be a very important one in the life of both the SGA and the university as a whole. If we are to recover from events which occurred this year, we must work hard together, to have effective input into decisions which affect the everyday life

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## "SIMPLY NOT TRUE"

OTTAWA [CUP]—A secretary of state claim that student groups have agreed to proposed changes in the Canada Student Loans programme is "simply not true," according to the National Union Of Students.

The government is seeking quick passage through parliament of legislation which would change regulations dealing with the loan maximum for Canadian post-secondary students. A document released March 9 explaining the changes claimed the proposed plan change which would assess loan needs by weeks rather than by the year, and raise the maximum allowable limit from an equivalent of \$56.25 to \$70 weekly.

NUS executive-secretary Dan O'Connor said March 9 the

Canada Student Loan administration had not been involved in "prolonged discussion with student groups", as the document claimed, and that NUS and the provincial student associations would have a joint position on the proposed changes March 12.

The national and provincial student organizations opposed a similar change in loan ceiling in 1974, claiming the changes were "totally inadequate," and would "prove ineffective in achieving an equitable program to assist students."

"The answer to overcoming the economic burdens facing students and the barrier to would-be students does not lie in an increased loan ceiling but rather in a non-repayable grant program based on need," O'Connor said.

## Pill Users Get Strong Warning

DENVER [CPS-CUP]—Birth control pill users in the United States will receive a strongly worded caution with their prescriptions as a result of U.S. Food and Drug Administration regulations effective in April.

A brochure warns women who smoke that they risk "serious adverse effects on the heart and blood vessels," and advises smokers to use another type of contraception.

The leaflet, to be dispensed each time a prescription for the pill is filled, also warns of

potential hazards of liver tumors, heart attacks in women more than 40 years old and damage to the fetus if the pill is taken during pregnancy.

FDA commissioner Donald Kennedy has said that women who both smoke and use the pill are 10 times more likely to die of a heart attack or other circulatory disorder than women who neither smoke nor take the pill.

The regulations also require manufacturers of the pill to incorporate the new warnings in the information given to doctors.

## All Time First, 2 Vees make all Canadian All-Stars



Charlie Wise



Bruce Burnett

It didn't take long for basketball people to realize that the Laurentian Voyageurs were a very talented team, last week at the nationals in Halifax. Prior to the start of the tournament, two Laurentian players were selected to the All-Canadian First Allstar Team.

Charlie Wise and Bruce Burnett created some history at the awards banquet, when they became the first two Laurentian players ever selected for the first team. Wise made an even bigger mark in the record books, when he was selected as the recipient of the Mike Moser Memorial Trophy, presented annually to the most outstanding basketball player in Canadian College Basketball. This was also the first time a Laurentian player has taken the coveted award.

Burnett maintained his superb play last weekend at the Canadians in Halifax, as he helped the Voyageurs win the consolation championship final over Manitoba. In that game, Burnett scored 20 points even though he was on the bench for a good part of the first half and part of the second, as he had four fouls. In all three games, Burnett accumulated 71 points, the fourth highest ever scored by a player in the national championship tournament. For his outstanding performance, the six foot, six inch forward was named to the tournament allstar team.

He has previously been selected to the allstar teams at the Naismith, Voyageur Invitational, Nova Scotia, and the Klondike Classic. Burnett also was the Most Valuable Player at the Naismith and an OUA allstar with his 24 points per game average.

Wise, meanwhile, also played a brilliant season with his allstar selection at the annual award banquet. The highlight of the evening last Wednesday, however, came when it was announced that Laurentian's Charlie Wise had been selected as the most outstanding player in Canada.

Wise received the Mike Moser Trophy, named after the late University of Waterloo player, and, with it, a standing ovation from all in attendance at the gathering in Halifax.

He had a truly incredible year, as he was selected to the Ontario University Athletic Association Allstar Team, as well as the Naismith, Klondike Classic and Nova Scotia Invitational allstar teams. He was also named as the MVP at the Voyageur Invitational in December.

Both players created some outstanding achievements this year and will not be forgotten by basketball fans across the country, and in Ontario, for some time. Laurentian fans were indeed treated to some great basketball action this year by both players, and the entire Voyageur team, as the unit competed in the nationals for the third year in a row.



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## PONTIAC ACADIAN

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# Vees Win Consolation In Halifax

The Laurentian Voyageurs Men's Basketball team returned to Sudbury Sunday evening, after a tiring five days on the road. The voyageurs competed in the Canadian Intercollegiate Championships in Halifax last weekend, and returned home with the consolation championship.

The Voyageurs won the consolation final in convincing fashion, as they handed the previously number one ranked team in Canada, Manitoba Bisons, a 69-53 beating at the Metro Center in Halifax. The

loss was Manitoba's second in three starts at the tournament, while for Laurentian, it was their second strategy win, after an opening game loss to Acadia Axemen, 71-65.

The Voyageur-Bison contest looked like it was going to be blow-out for the Bisons, as they grabbed a nine point lead in the first half. All Canadian Bruce Brunette was pulled from the game with four fouls. In favour of Ken Schildroth The Voyageurs fought back, but were still down 34-31 at the half.

The second half belonged to Laurentian, however, as they grabbed an early lead and never looked back. Even the loss of Charlie Wise, who fouled out with 12 minutes to go, failed to stop Laurentian from maintaining respect in college basketball circles. Bruce Burnett's 20 point performance led the Voyageurs but it was the Laurentian team's best team effort of the season, that dominated the 16 point win.

Varick Cutler had 15 points, including some outstanding left hand hooks, Mark Bennett with 12 and Charlie Wise with 9, rounded out the high scores.

Laurentian's second round win came over Bishop's University from Quebec, 78-62. Bruce Burnett led Laurentian with 27 points, while Charlie Wise had 24. The game was dominated by the Voyageurs from start to finish, and was particularly impressive as the Voyageurs used their entire bench reserves to defeat the Bishop's team. The substitutions began coming into the game during the first half, which showed a lot for the bench strength of the team and for the team in the future.

opponent than the Acadia Axemen. The Axemen had already defeated the Voyageurs once this year, and had just won the tough Atlantic Conference the previous weekend.

Nevertheless, not many observers were swaying to either side, especially after realizing Laurentian had two All-Canadians, one of whom was selected the most outstanding player in Canada, that being Charlie Wise.

Laurentian opened up a seven point lead in the first 10 minutes of the defensive game, but had to struggle to hang onto a one point lead at the first half buzzer. In the second half though, the Voyageurs had trouble getting untracked, and were down 53-39 with 10 minutes to go. The Voyageurs attempted to open up at that point and make a comeback.

Their efforts resulted in being down by only four points with 19 seconds to go. Time ran out on the Voyageurs though, as they were

defeated 71-65 before a boisterous crowd of close to 4,000, who were not cheering for the Sudbury team at any time. Bruce Burnett led the Voyageurs in the losing cause with 24 points, while Charlie Wise and Mark Bennett added 16 and 11 points respectively.

Other Laurentian scores for the weekend included:

Acadia 71 Laurentian 65

Mike Mulvihill 8  
Varick Cutler 6

Laurentian 78 Bishop's 62

Varick Cutler 12  
Mike Mulvihill 9  
P. Domengoni 2  
Tim Orpin 4  
Ken Schildroth 2

Laurentian 69 Manitoba 53

Mike Mulvihill 6  
P. Domengoni 5  
Ken Schildroth 2

## ERRATUM

A serious error occurred in our Feb 9th, number 18 issue under the headline "Legris Under Fire From Council".

In that story several councillors were mentioned as having spoken in Legris' defense. Tony Ingram was erroneously implicated as a partial perpetrator of that heinous deed. As it turns out, he was not even on the scene of the crime.

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# You Can Talk Intelligently To Council But You Can't Make It Think

The Students General Association is facing its most important decision in the past few years. SGA President Pat Legris has sized the bull by the horns (having discovered which end is which) and enlisted the aid of a local solicitor in drawing up the documents that, when properly signed, sealed and delivered, will incorporate the SGA under the laws of Ontario.

While to the uninitiated, this may sound like so much legalese, Legris does have a point...to go along with the one on the top of his head. The creation of a "fictitious corporate citizen" will do much to stabilize the SGA's responsibility. At the present time, it is difficult to distinguish who really would take the flack should the SGA sustain a substantial financial loss or perpetrate a legal misdemeanour. Under present laws, unlimited liability must be accepted by those identified with the institution. This could mean, variously, every Laurentian student who is a member of the SGA, all the SGA councillors, or all (or part of) the SGA executive.

Alternatively, recourse might be made to an old Ontario law that placed the University administration in *locis parentis* (in the place of the parent). This, though now considered obsolete, meant that the University was ultimately responsible for the activities carried on by its students during the academic year; literally, the University had the right to reward and discipline its students in much the same way as "a firm, but benevolent, father". A precedent for such a role exists at Laurentian. When the SGA ran up a massive debt running the Pub directly, the University stepped in to bail out the student government.

The Pub situation is but one example of the advantages incorporation can bring to the SGA. As an "unorganized" association of students, the SGA and its (student) executive are ineligible to hold an Ontario Liquor License. (Ontario law prohibits any student from holding such a license.) The SGA, as a registered, corporate citizen, can. At present, the SGA maintains an indirect ownership of the Pub because of money still owed to the Administration, and because a member of Administration (Paul Menard, Director of Services) signs the Pub License.

As it stands now, the SGA is a potentially unreliable group to deal with, as a result of its overseeing body dissolving at the end of each academic year. Incorporation will force continuity, through requirements of an annual audit of financial dealings, and for effective and credible documentation practices.

The SGA is the only university student government in the province that remains unincorporated.

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of students. I look forward to new co-operation with both ALPS and I'AEF in forging a strong student voice on Senate campus, and with the administration.

To be successful, however, will require hard work on the part of both council and students. I promise to exert myself and provide leadership so as to enable council to work to its fullest capacity.

Congratulations should be extended to both Mike Sabo and Bill Bradley for the excellent campaigns they ran.

I am sure their experience and opinions will not be lost to the students next year.

Finally, congratulations to Pat Legris and this year's council. Though they have encountered much criticism, I am sure they acted in what they believed to be the best interests of the students.

In closing then, I wish once again to thank all of the students who voted, and wish everyone the best of luck during the remaining part of this year and continued success in the year to come.

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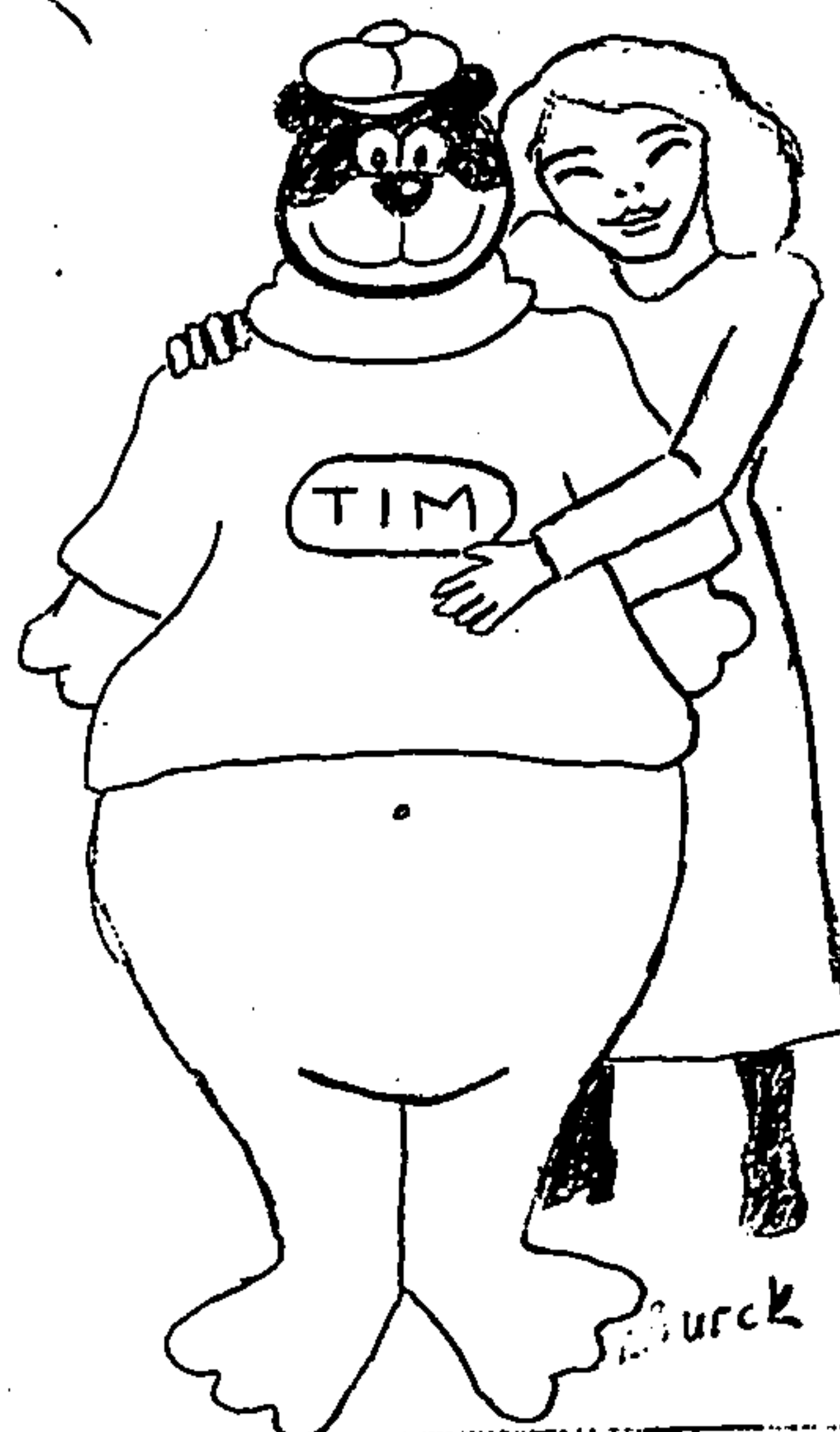
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## APPLIED PHILOSOPHY

A summary and reflections on a talk on the management of uranium mine tailings, given by Andy Brook, a philosopher currently sitting on the Advisory Panel of the National Energy Board [Thursday, March 9, 1978]. His concern: the ethical developments and moral implications in the control of uranium mine tailings.

To give a basis and some relevance for discussion, let's establish what uranium mine tailings are and what their possible effects on us, meaning Northerners and others, are.

The processing of uranium (and I don't pretend to be an expert or understand it completely) involves crushing and milling ore to an extremely fine powder, a process requiring the use of large quantities of water. The incredibly large amount of waste consisting of both particles and water (1 ton solid and 1 ton liquid waste per ton of uranium extracted, or 14,000 tons of each per day) are dumped somewhere outside the mill, once as much uranium as possible is extracted.

At the moment, in Elliot Lake, there are about 100 million tons of such wastes lying around on about 1,500 acres of land on the water's edge. This location is necessary to allow for the run-off of excess water. Unfortunately, however, the acid concentrates and radium in the water are extremely poisonous to plant and animal life. In fact, Brook points out that Serpent River, the main water course in the Elliot Lake region is biologically dead.

85 per cent of the radioactive content of uranium is in the waste dumped near the mill site. Other non-radioactive elements such as iron pyrites which develop into sulphuric acid, and arsenic, etc., are also released in this waste. These poison our water system. Gamma radiation and radon gas emissions directly affect people (gamma rays can pene-

trate three feet of concrete or twelve feet of water). Wind can blow the fine dust-like particles from dried-up tailing ponds around, increasing people's exposure to danger.

How does this affect us?

Although our bones need calcium, they will expel it in favour of radium, causing leukemia. Radon gases, when they come into contact with lung tissues, fracture cells, creating abnormal cell reproduction and malignancies. This has been proven at Hiroshima and in patients who used certain patent medicines that once contained radium. As for genetic damage, there is less direct evidence that wastes from the uranium industry are a cause. Nobody knows what "safe" levels are. Unlike for other poisons, the body has no threshold for radium poisoning. This means that small or large quantities or lengths of exposure have very different effects on different individuals. "There is no assurance that dilution will make it safe," says Brook.

The dangers to humans from the processing of uranium, for the moment, are not too great although they are growing, and certainly workers directly exposed, or inhabitants of a mining/milling area, their children and grandchildren, are taking high risks. For the time being, there are fairly effective short-term controls and the possibility of relatively effective and permanent control methods for the future. However, Brook foresees the major hazards will be to future generations, in hundreds and thousands of years.

The question in Brook's mind is: given the potential for harm what obligation do we have to future generations? The public and industry can decide there is a. no obligation whatsoever; b. an obligation as long as the site is being worked; c. no obligation to solve the problem, but we should leave the know-how to do it; or d. an obligation to leave no problem at all for future

generations.

Brook's reasoning for supporting option d. are the fairness principle-he who benefits should share the costs; the liberty principle-we should not cause preventable harm by our actions, thus interfering with others' freedom; and the happiness principle-other people have the right to a decent life too.

For me, as for Brooks, these are strong reasons not to leave future generations the problem of controlling potentially lethal waste dumps or any other type of problem. Of course we can't see into the future, or see what effects our wastes will have on the future beings. But why should we cripple them from the outset?

Brook brought out another good point...Although most public policy issues (and this is one) have moral issues at their core, we hire specialists and spend enormous sums on implementation problems, but not on the moral aspects. (To his knowledge, Brook is the only philosopher ever to sit on an advisory body such as for the Energy Board.) Instead, moral decisions are made on hunches, unreliable and shaky bases. When times are tough, says Brook, philosophical reasoning should also be tough.

The work of the Advisory Panel may be the last chance forever to set up firm regulations on the control of uranium wastes and industrial wastes in general. The Denison Mines/Rio Algom proposal, now being studied at a cost of \$5 million, will be subject to the regulations put forth by the Advisory Panel. We should all consider the implications.

By the way, since Sudbury might get a uranium refinery one of these days, Brook said that as he understands it, refineries are the cleanest, safest part of the whole process.

Brook's lecture last Thursday was filmed by cable television. You might want to look out for it in the next few weeks. Barbara Dingwall



# Leboyer childbirth method frowned on, in Sudbury

My better half and I are to become parents sometime in August, an event that, at any time and place, is considered blessed. Naturally, we are looking forward to this with a great deal of anticipation and enthusiasm.

We hope to derive the greatest amount of pleasure and satisfaction from the birth of our first child by having both of us present at, and participating in, the delivery.

As well, we both believe strongly that the child should come into this world free of the effects of drugs and be confronted, not with blaring lights and a slap, but with subdued lighting and a warm bath.

Since the day we discovered we were pregnant, we have followed every aspect of its evolution with mutual concern and interest. The more we know, the more we wish to know. It has become an almost obsessive topic of conversation.

Unfortunately, the doctor we were consulting did not seem to share either our views on the best method of delivery, or our concern with various aspects of prenatal growth and nutrition.

When we asked about natural childbirth facilities at the local hospital, regarding the LaMaze/Leboyer method, we were informed that all childbirth is normal. The Leboyer method is frowned upon in the Sudbury area as being dangerous for both mother and child.

When we inquired as to when we would have to begin prenatal classes (which are necessary for a team delivery and involve exercises for breathing and muscle control aimed at facilitating labour and generally preparing both partners for the experience) we were told that this was a lot of nonsense and that there was nothing special we had to do.

We were also told that fathers were sometimes allowed into the delivery room, depending upon the father, whatever that means.

When questioned on things ranging from his justification for automatically prescribing vitamin supplements (vitamin D, 400 IU/d) to his basis for performing an episiotomy (some doctors do this almost as a matter of course) this doctor's attitude was somewhere between professional indignation and paternal amusement; "don't worry about things that don't concern you."

The deputy minister of health and welfare, not more than two months ago on CTV Reports, warned all expectant mothers against breast-feeding prior to having their milk analyzed for excessive DDT and PCB content, because of the very real possibility of infant poisoning.

During a follow-up to this report, the deputy minister stated that clinics throughout the country would, with government funding, be providing this service free and that he encouraged all new mothers to take this simple precaution.

When upon this advice, we contacted our physician on

this matter, we were told that our fears were groundless and that no such service existed in the province of Ontario.

In writing this submission, neither the child's mother nor myself wish to imply that the doctor is not professionally capable (f.o.r.) or even that he is not in a better position to know what's best. However, we resent being treated like ignorant children or, worse, neurotics. We dislike having our concerns dismissed as unimportant.

This concerns us very much. We refuse to be dictated to from a position based on personal opinion, even if that opinion is held by a professional.

If we seriously thought that the attitude of this one doctor reflected that of the Sudbury medical community as a whole, we would not hesitate to

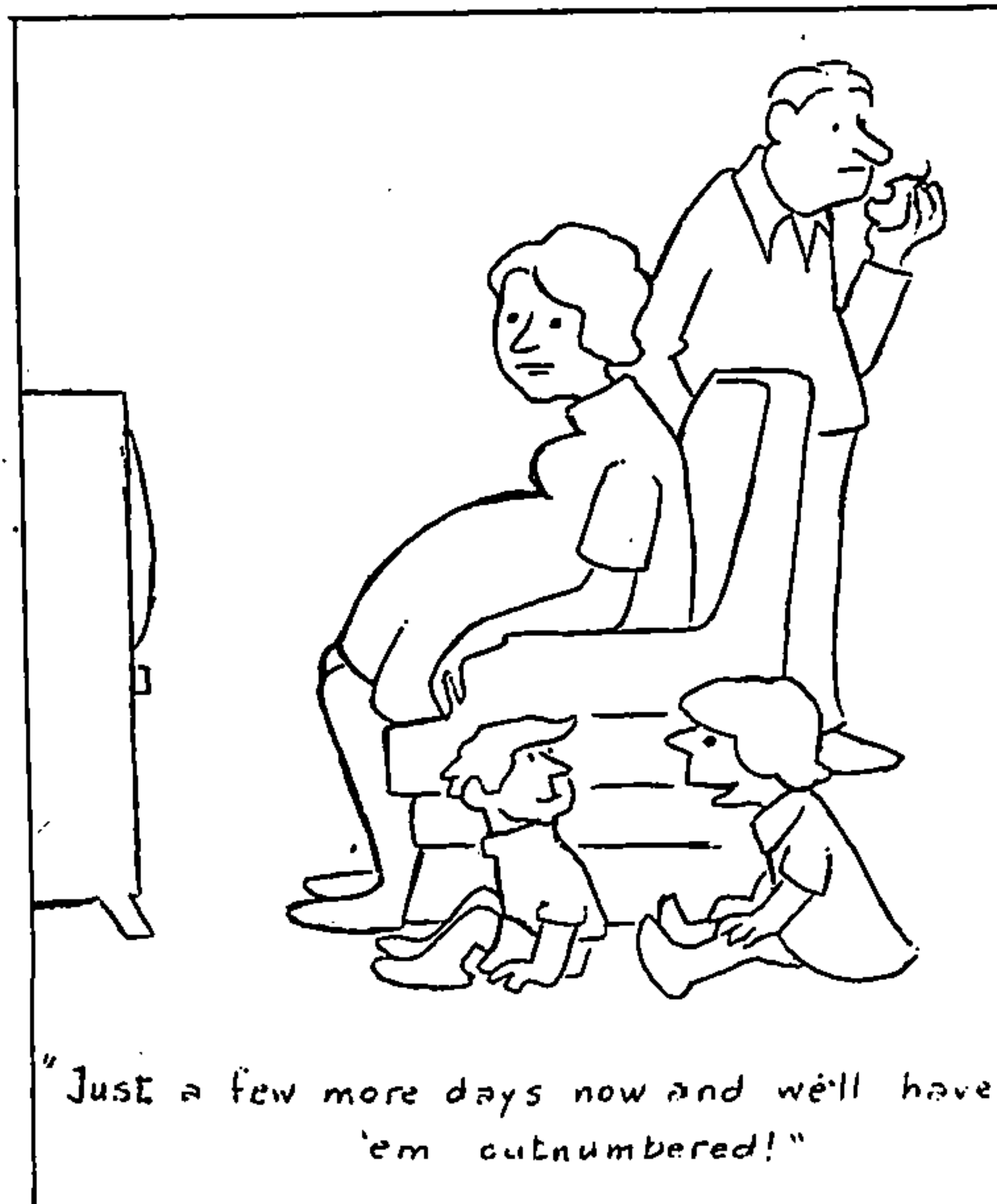
leave this area when the time came. "Good enough" simply isn't good enough. We want the best for our child.

When we came to Sudbury, we knew that we were moving north. We did not think we were also moving back in time.

It is necessary for the medical machine to accommodate the individual. After all, what is more personal and unique than the birth of a child.

If you sympathize with our situation, perhaps having found yourself in a similar one, and have any information regarding organizations or individuals who might be of assistance to us, please contact us through Lambda, or call 675-2744. The three of us would be extremely grateful.

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Out of six years in Quebec I have come to appreciate the value of French civilization and Quebec culture. The francophone who is aware of his culture has every reason to be proud of its roots in history and its relation to genius. And yet I am deeply disturbed by the wide-spread attitude of Quebecers to language policy which is reflected in the Parti Quebecois Bill 101. This French Language Charter is a linguistic declaration of independence. Its presuppositions are clearly set out in the White Paper on Language published early in 1977. The White Paper which Dr. Camille Laurin presented to the Quebec National Assembly lays down four fundamental principles which I summarize as follows:

1. All Quebecers are to live in French.
2. There is to be respect for minorities.
3. It is important to learn

languages other than French.

4. The promotion of French will be by Government control of all aspects of life except religion.

I propose to reflect on each principle. The first fundamental principle of Dr. Laurin's White Paper is this: **IN QUEBEC, THE FRENCH LANGUAGE IS NOT JUST A MEANS FOR EXPRESSION, BUT A MEDIUM FOR LIVING AS WELL.**

Now this might not at first make all that much sense. The principle is re-worded more clearly when the White Paper says, 'French must become the common language of all Quebecers.' The principle is put in a negative form by the later statement, 'There will no longer be any question of a bilingual Quebec.' In a reply to critics, the Minister of State responsible for the White Paper, Dr. Laurin, said, 'In a normal country there can only be one

language, that of the majority.' The Montreal Gazette editorialized (May 2, 1977) that Dr. Laurin's argument was a variation of the first law of computer analysis: Garbage in, garbage out.

The Gazette noted that China is one country, but that Chinese is really a group of five mutually unintelligible though related languages. Moreover there are four other languages in China spoken by more than a million persons each. The Soviet Union has 17 languages spoken by more than a million persons. India has 14 constitutional languages, including the language called Kannada. There are more Indians speaking Kannada than there are Canadians! In China, the Soviet Union and India, then, we have three examples of countries where there are several languages. Dr. Laurin's basic assumption that in a normal country there can only be one language, that of the majority, is therefore seen as open to question. The first principle of the White Paper, that French must become the common language of all Quebecers by legislative fiat, is similarly open to some question. For all Quebecers to live in French by voluntary consent, no serious objection in principle could be raised. But that all Quebecers should be legislated into living in French is quite another matter.

Nonetheless I will not quarrel with the desire that French should become the principal language of Quebec. As the Positive Position on Language Policy issued by many prominent English-speaking Quebecers put it, 'We recognize that French is the language of the majority, and that French should be the common language of Quebec society. We agree that it should be possible for French-speaking Quebecers are under a very definite obligation to speak French if they wish to share in the life of Quebec with its French-speaking majority.'

**RESPECT FOR MINORITIES.** The second White Paper principle is this: **THERE MUST BE RESPECT FOR THE MINORITIES, THEIR LANGUAGE, AND THEIR CULTURE.**

Respect for minorities is the second fundamental principle of the White Paper. But although this altogether praiseworthy desire is clearly stated, it eventually gets compromised by the commentary on it. For the White Paper eventually states, 'Nevertheless, in a Quebec which lives in French it is natural that all its citizens, whatever their ethnic and cultural origin, should be capable of expressing themselves in French, participating fully in a French society, and conceding that French is

the common language of all Quebecers.'

Nowhere is the second principle more decisively compromised by both the White Paper and by Bill 101 than in the educational field. Enrolment in the English-speaking schools is to be restricted to such an extent, that even English-speaking Canadians from outside the province are to be compelled to send their children to the French schools. Since much of the English-speaking population of Quebec is mobile, this provision will soon reduce the enrolment of English-speaking schools to a fraction of their current numbers.

And yet the main thrust of coercion is of course against the French-speaking majority, who are to continue to be deprived of their liberty of choice for the language of instruction. Not all French-speaking Quebecers are so easily led down the garden path that they can accept this. They are beginning to wake up to the truth that, 'When the liberty of a single individual is affected, the liberty of each and every one of us is affected.' (Hon. Marc Lalonde)

It should also be noted that French schools have for a long time refused to admit children of English-speaking parents. Dr. Laurin chides the English minority for responding too late, but he is ignoring the fact that, again and again, French schools have long refused to accept English-speaking children. Even after Bill 22 became law, French schools still discouraged enrolment of English-speaking children. The White Paper promises, 'Once they become masters in their own house, Quebecers will be able to open up without hesitation to a wide diversity of other linguistic and cultural realities.' One might well wonder how much mastery, how much domination, how much state and bureaucratic coercion and control will be necessary before this promise is fulfilled. The White Paper argues, 'There is no evidence for stating that the French-speaking majority of Quebec is more or less xenophobic than any other group, including Quebec's English-speaking minority.' This is cold comfort. The reality of the human situation is that there is a hard core of fear and hatred in the human heart and it is not noticeably diminishing.

One need only scratch the surface and the snarling beast within us lunges to the fore. Dr. Laurin should recognize the bleak fact that racial fear and hatred is as widespread among the French-speaking majority of Quebec as it is among the English-speaking majority of Canada, and that this is the Achilles' heel of his

dream of an era of sweetness and light ushered in by Bill 101.

The second principle of the White Paper is, in short, an excellent example of the age-old human desire to have one's cake and eat it too. Dr. Laurin wants to respect minority rights and at the same time teach them to conform to the will of the majority.

**MULTILINGUALISM AND THE IMAGE OF ENGLISH IN QUEBEC**

The third principle of the White Paper is this: **IT IS IMPORTANT TO LEARN LANGUAGES OTHER THAN FRENCH.**

For us, English-speaking, we ought to say that it is important to learn languages other than English. And French must surely be our first choice. But there is a statement in this part of the White Paper which shook me and which ought to shake all of us, whether it is true in fact or not, for it is believed to be true by many French-speaking people. This statement is that the English language is 'in the eyes of many the pervasive symbol of perpetual economic and cultural domination.' You must understand this to understand why anyone would go to such lengths as to propose Bill 22 and Bill 101. Whether justified or not, it is a fact that many French-speaking people have come to see English as a pervasive symbol of perpetual domination and oppression. Now this is a terrible thing. No doubt there is blame all round for this. But we English-speaking Quebecers must ask ourselves how much we may be to blame for it. How often have we enjoyed throwing our weight around French-speaking people? How often have we happened to colour such activity with English? I remember visiting the hospital a few years ago and hearing some young visitor to the province arrogantly raising his voice as if he were dealing with a bunch of nobodies and saying, 'Isn't there anybody here who can speak English? His tone of voice was sublimely arrogant and condescending--just the sort of thing which would put anyone's back up. It is this sort of thing, multiplied by untold thousands of times, which must have led to this horrible fact that many French-speaking Quebecers actually see the English language as a symbol of domination and oppression.

Many French-speaking Quebecers seem to be obsessed with the deceitful half-truth that they are a conquered people. The White Paper refers to the conquest three times and then calls for a reconquest by the French-speaking majority. But Wolfe's so-called conquest of 1759

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was in fact only one victory in what was basically a European power-struggle which included the Seven Years War. Wolfe achieved victory, not conquest, as should be clear in the very terms of surrender, which included guarantees for French language and law and for the free exercise of the Roman Catholic religion. Further evidence that Wolfe's victory was only a victory comes from the pressures in Britain to get France to cede, not Canada, but the sugar island of Guadeloupe. In 1763 the French King formally ceded Canada to the British King, who proceeded to confirm the guarantees for French language law and for Catholicism in Canada. From this it is clear that the term 'conquest' is inaccurate, misleading and provocative.

Moreover a case could be made that the result of France's ceding Canada to Britain was liberation rather than conquest. After all, it was an absolute monarch who ceded it and a constitutional monarch who received it. The general temper of the French-speaking people after the British victories ranged from acquiescence to gratification. As a local merchant wrote to a French correspondent, 'Cease your compassion for us, our lot is less unfortunate than it was previously.' (See Edgar McInnis, *Canada: A political and social history*, p. 147.)

The English language ought to be the symbol of what it really is, the symbol of centuries of evolving freedom under the law. To the extent that we English-speaking people have projected a false image of our language and culture, turning it into a symbol of domination and oppression for our French-speaking compatriots—to this extent we and our fathers have been the authors of our own plight in the Quebec of Bill One. I hope that we will try, no matter what, to treat French-speaking people with respect. We owe at least this much to the best in our culture of freedom under parliamentary law.

**FRENCH IS TO MEAN GOVERNMENT CONTROL.** The fourth principle of the White Paper is this: **THE STATUS OF THE FRENCH LANGUAGE IN QUEBEC IS A QUESTION OF SOCIAL JUSTICE.**

Under this section of the White Paper we read that the Government of Quebec 'does not conceive of a language policy as something quite different and separate from sectors more easily recognized as relating to the just distribution of wealth and freedom.' In other words, the Parti Quebecois' language policy is meant to be part of its economic policy. And its economic policy is frankly

one of massive state intervention. In fact the details of Bill One seek to regulate every aspect of life down to the language of wine lists, menus and children's toys. The only exception is religion, which is ignored. Alas, little else is ignored! Almost everything—business, labour education, advertising etc.—is to be subject to the regulation and control of the Government's Office de la langue française. If English has become a symbol of oppression to the French, it may not be long before the supreme symbol of oppression in Quebec will be the Office de la langue française. Because of the vast powers given to this bureaucracy, and because of certain attitudes shared by every party that has ever governed Quebec, this office could become the instrument for massive government control of Quebec life.

If you think that I exaggerate, listen to the White Paper itself. It says, 'This Charter is different from most laws in that it bears on community life as a whole; it postulates a plan for a society. This plan which inspires and supports the whole and each of its parts, is clear.'

The Quebec we wish to build will be essentially French. The fact that the majority of its population is French will be clearly visible—at work, in communications and in the country-

side. It will also be a country in which the traditional balance of power will be altered especially in regard to the economy; the use of French will not merely be universalized to hide the predominance of foreign power from the French-speaking population; this use will accompany, symbolize and support a reconquest by the French-speaking majority in Quebec of that control over the economy which it ought to have.

In an interview Dr. Laurin stated, 'My objective is much more important (than the promotion of the primacy of French). My objective is the takeover of a whole collective political destiny.' (Quoted by Peter Cowan in the *Montreal Gazette*.) This is sweeping language. It supports my concern that the promotion of French is being used as a means of gaining unprecedented state control of the whole of Quebec society.

The White Paper states that 'More and more people believe that the problem of the French language in Quebec must be solved by government intervention.' This may actually be the case, but it is important for French-speaking Quebecers to ask themselves what else is government intervention going to involve. Are they willing to give the government a *carte blanche* for intrusion into every aspect of life save one, just in order to strengthen the

position of the French language and culture? Are French-speaking Quebecers so careless of their human rights and individual freedom that they will give the government a blank cheque to do anything at all so long as it promises to promote French? Granted the importance of French, does it follow that freedom must be subjected in almost every aspect of life to a paternalistic government agency? This is my greatest concern that the promotion of French is being used as the thin edge of the wedge of massive state control of almost every aspect of life.

The Parti Quebecois should not be accused by English-speaking people of fascism there are enough noble sentiments in the White Paper to dispute that kind of charge. But this party wants to plan for the whole of Quebec society: for business, labour, education, communications, recreation, and so on. They want to plan for all these aspects of life; they want to set up an enlarged and powerful bureaucracy to do the planning, to do the prodding and to do the prosecuting. There is very little in the way of checks and balances against this bureaucracy; it is to be protected against appeal to the courts. If English has been, unwittingly, the symbol of oppression for many Quebecers, this kind of French language legisla-

tion may soon not be only the symbol but the active agent for government oppression of all institutions that fail to respond appropriately to the party line.

The thrust of the White Paper toward massive state control of every aspect of life is vividly symbolized by Article 172 of Bill 101, which could make human rights subservient to French language rights. It seems incredible that anyone could believe that human rights should be subservient to the French language. I could hardly imagine a greater insult to the quality of French civilization than this. The Honourable Marc Lalonde stated, 'I cannot...convince myself that Quebec intellectuals, no matter what their political allegiance, could keep silent in the face of such a threat to personal liberties; in the face of a bill that would have the result of allowing the decisions of some bureaucrat to outweigh individual rights.'

Alexander Solzhenitsyn wrote words that the Parti Quebecois would do well to etch on its mind: "The higher the end the higher the means must be! Unworthy means destroy the end itself!" (The First Circle.) Compulsion, coercion massive state control are not means that are worthy of the end of the promotion of French civilization.





# The Chaplain's Corner

## - Marriage -

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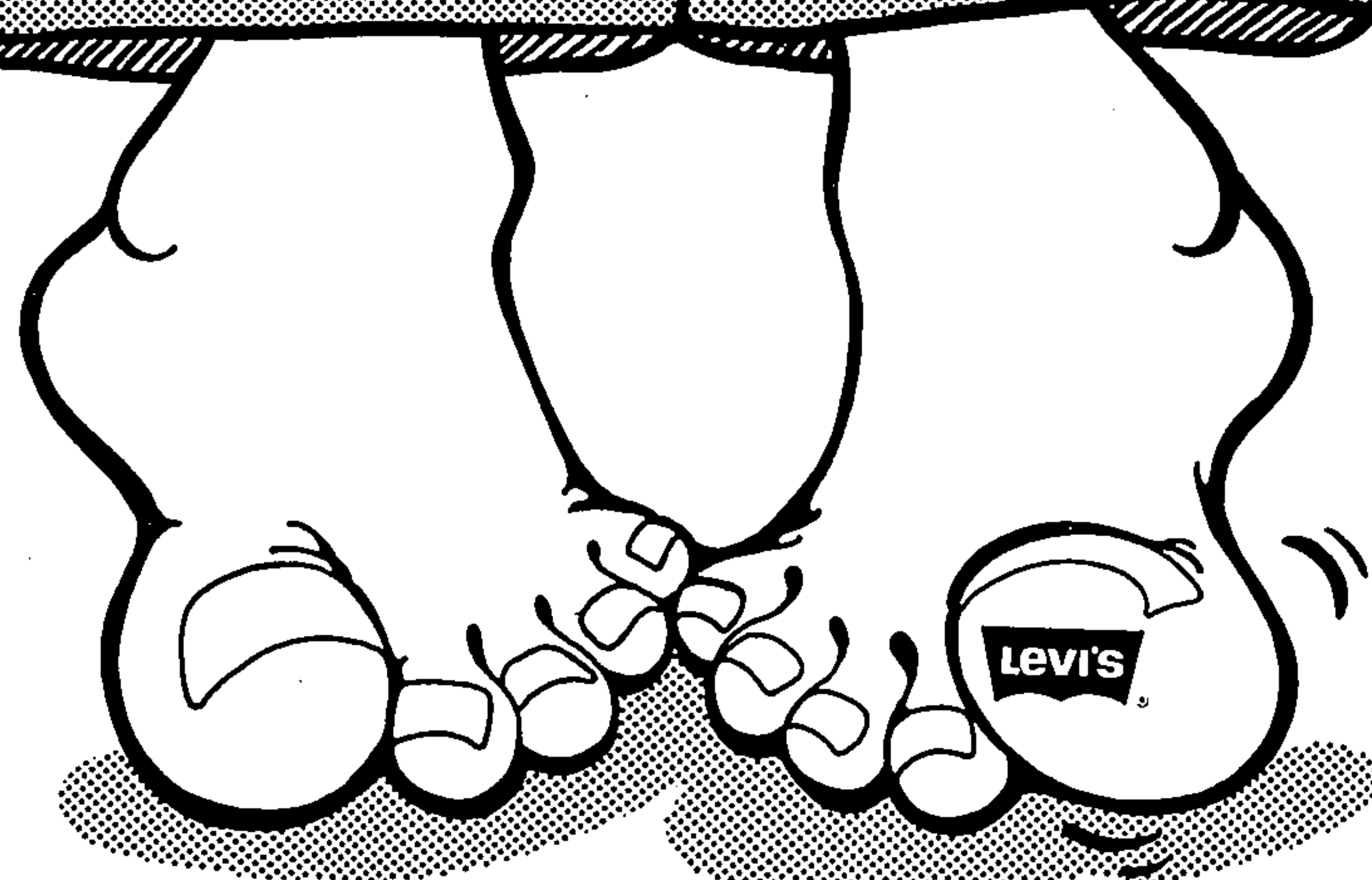
You can enjoy the benefits of a successful marriage if you really want it. But you must will it for yourself, for no one else would. Is marriage really necessary for our contemporary society? Long ago marriage was a social necessity. But is the situation different today? In many respects it is. For instance, marriage offers more than the honour and privilege of parenthood. Childless couples don't just decide that there is no point in carrying on with their marriages. In fact studies have constantly shown that satisfying marriages occur more frequently among childless couples than among those with children. Take this for what it is worth. So marriage, according to most studies is for its own

sake, meeting some basic human needs. And these needs go much deeper than the traditional needs a man or a woman might have. You find today that a woman need not marry to gain status and security. The traditional pressures on a woman to marry in order for her to gain social acceptance have lost a good deal of creditability in recent years but yet on the other hand more people than ever before in history are marrying like crazy. What is the urge? I believe that today people are marrying for love and love only and when their marriage fails to produce the goods of love they call it quits. They feel there is no point in hanging in there. You may agree with me - when marriage is under attack it is really bad marriages - the idea that bad marriages is so universal. People do away with marriage because they feel that it won't work in practice. I don't believe

for any one moment that marriage is necessary for all people. There are millions of people today who never could marry happily-however good the conditions might be. We are under the illusion that marriage is for all of us. Don't fool ourselves. Some people are called to the celibate life and still others are pre-dispositioned, loners. And society should recognize this and try and not force marriage down the throats of people. The single life is just as legitimate as matrimony.

My answer is simply this. At least two whole generations of young people have been fed with a lot of romantic ideas and nonsense. The fairy tale story of the prince and princess who were married after the most superficial acquaintance and rode off together in the sunset and lived happily for ever and ever and ever, still occupies one's thinking. Otherwise we would have more sense than to marry with little or no preparation assuming that marriage is a bed of roses. We must abandon all these crazy ideas which suggest that romantic love is all you need to achieve happiness. If you go into marriage with these childish notions you are doomed to failure. Marriage is a close intimate relationship in which two people share life on the broadest basis and in the deepest depth. They live together, sleep together, have sex together and most of all pray together so that they can give creditability and validity to other forms of life other than the material. Marriage is hard work and it is obvious that a successful marriage can't be attained in a week or a month or a year. Remember the only place where you can get success before work is in the Dictionary. Marriage involves constant change and constant change requires the husband and wife to keep working on the marriage until the day they die. Marriage is not magic which gives you something for nothing. The sooner we kill that myth the more sane we will all be. You can have a successful marriage if you are prepared to work like a dog. I can't think of any other way. If you can think of some other successful way I will be only too willing to hear from you. God bless.

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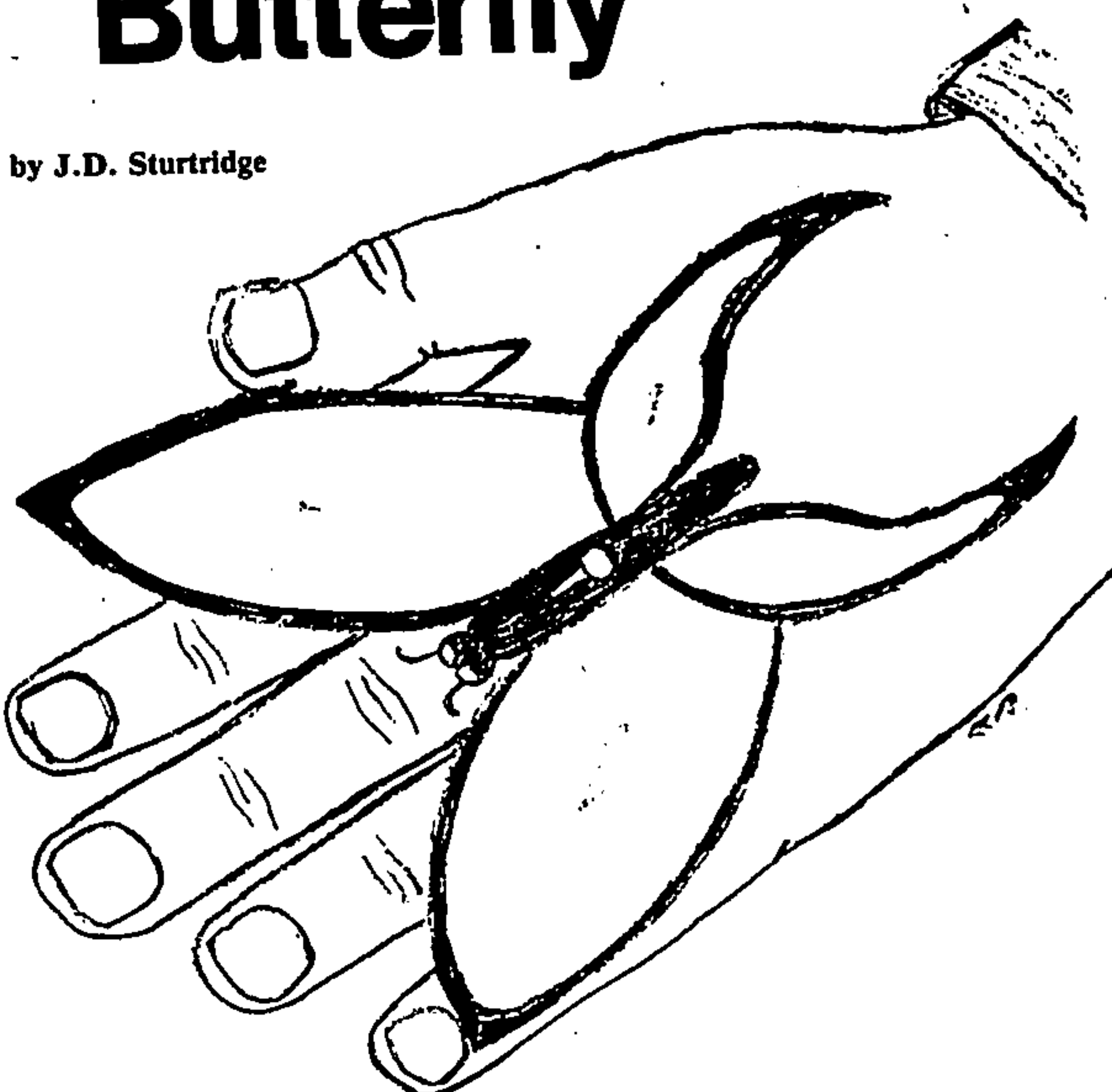
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# Malgrim and the Butterfly

by J.D. Sturtridge



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The road ended with an abruptness shocking even to Malgrim's already battered senses. He stood with his feet shifting uncertainly in the chips and grit of the gravel and stared helplessly at the dark evergreen boughs, the flaked reddish bark of countless tree trunks, the impenetrable wall of forest that confronted him. There was no wind. No sound. Malgrim's knees buckled. He pitched forward, crashed through the lower branches, needles raking his cheeks, throat, forehead, slammed into the ground and the senselessness of unconsciousness.

Over the rounded weather-worn crest of the hill fluttered a black and brilliant yellow tiger swallowtail, dipping and flitting in the cool air of the early evening. Drawing near the shadow wall of fir trees, the butterfly noted the still form of Malgrim and lowered itself, by jerky degrees, to a resting place in the crook of Malgrim's left arm.

Malgrim's body was still animate; it breathed; the heart fluttered. In the twilight gloom it seemed a decapitated trunk - the head lost in a maze of fir needles; a fallen log of flesh and bone with crooked branches; a protuberance of the forest stretching over the grey gravel in yet one more assault on the dominion of the road. It was still warm, Malgrim's decapitated almost-corpse, and in that warmth, in the crook of the left arm, the tiger swallowtail rested its black and pale yellow wings, now luminous in the dark. The butterfly spoke then, its voice piercing the fallen veil of night. It listened for the echo from the velvet black, spectral forest wall. "My name is Ozymandias, king of the kings

insensate, and his form grated in the gravel - a stone embedded itself in his navel; his right eye was pierced by a needle and liquid pulsed out, wetting the dirt beneath. The butterfly was caught; a wing broken, crushed, torn away. Now wounded, helpless, it tumbled hard - hard for a creature light as air - to the bed of stones below. Malgrim was quiet once more. From somewhere in the night arose a cry of pain and despair that washed over the two doomed denizens at the end of the road. The maimed butterfly cried out in turn, "Abou Ben Adhem, may his tribe increase !/Awoke one night from a deep dream of peace." The echo, then, and silence.

In a short time the ethereal beauty of the tiger swallowtail dimmed and was extinguished. Its lone wing stiffened and ceased forever its dainty flutter. Later, in the time of Madrugada, that blackest hour of night when dawn is but a long forgotten fairytale, a golden memory too quickly lost, Malgrim expelled his final draught of life.

Dawn came, cold and grey and lifeless. Above the sea of firs a leaden rack of clouds surged before a demon wind. It was quieter below. By the corpses, one wingless, one headless, the dust stirred. And the tiny fragments of the butterfly's wing tumbled lightly in a breeze that was only the ghost of the hurricane in the sky. Snowflakes began to fall, swirling about the end of the road. Where the snow settled on Malgrim's back, and on the tiny body of the butterfly, it remained unmelted. Slowly, softly, the snowflakes stitched a cold remorseless, all-encompassing shroud.

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The sad news of the week, Marie Catherine is ill at home

in Chatham. Hopefully, she'll be back with us soon, but it looks like she's going to miss the banquet. They're sending a card down from residence wishing her: GET WELL SOON.

I was down to see the girls play hockey the other day. It was a laugh. Everyone enjoyed themselves immensely. It was strange to see cute little furry coverings on the skates in such a rough (?) sport, but no one seemed to mind. A doughnut shop got surprised at midnight by a hungry hockey team. Who was that masked man??

Hi to Sister Penny and Other Woman Anna. The nun and getting none and the rest of the girls on 3rd Blue. The floor whose motto is WE AIM TO PLEASE.

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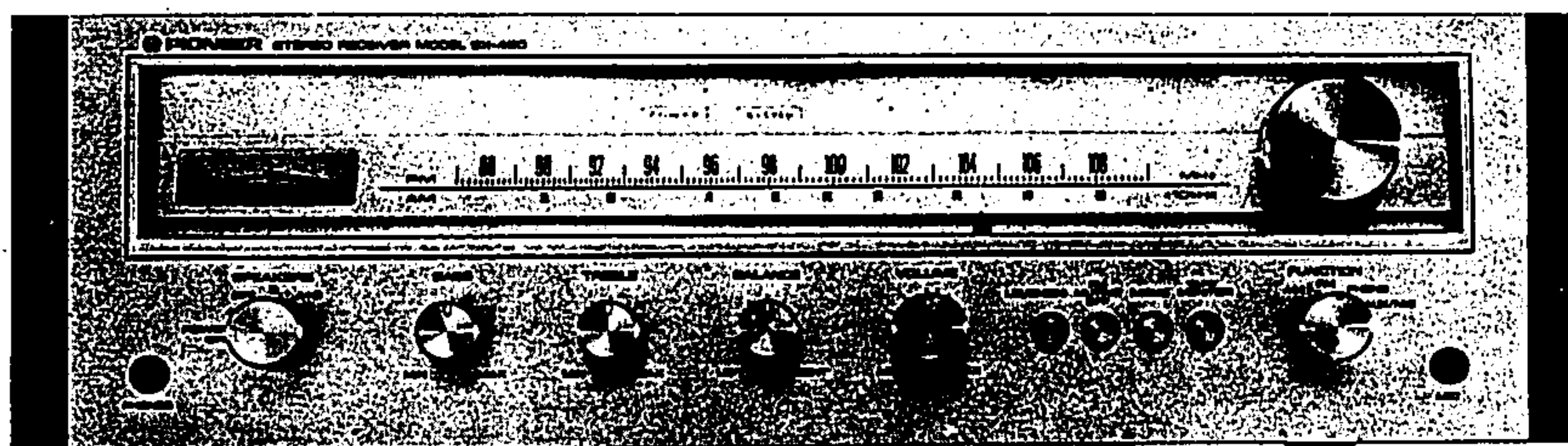
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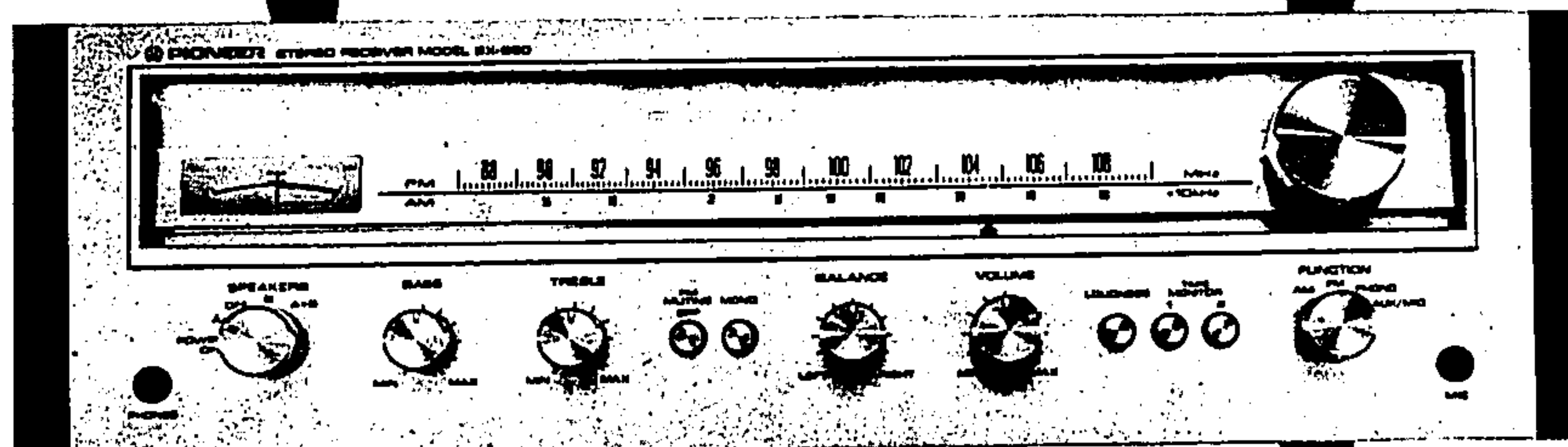
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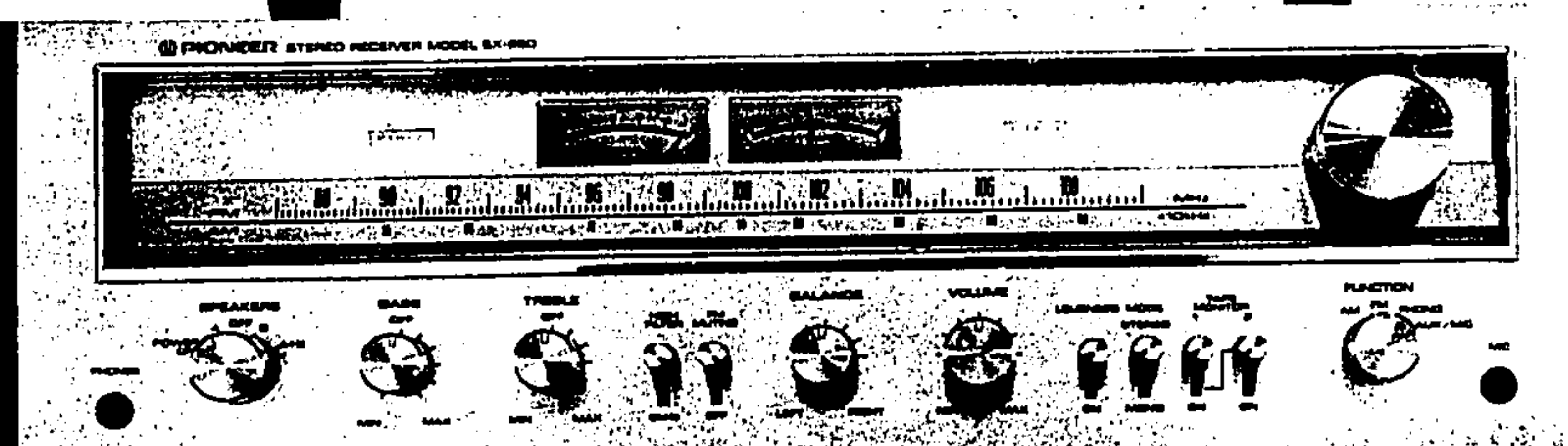
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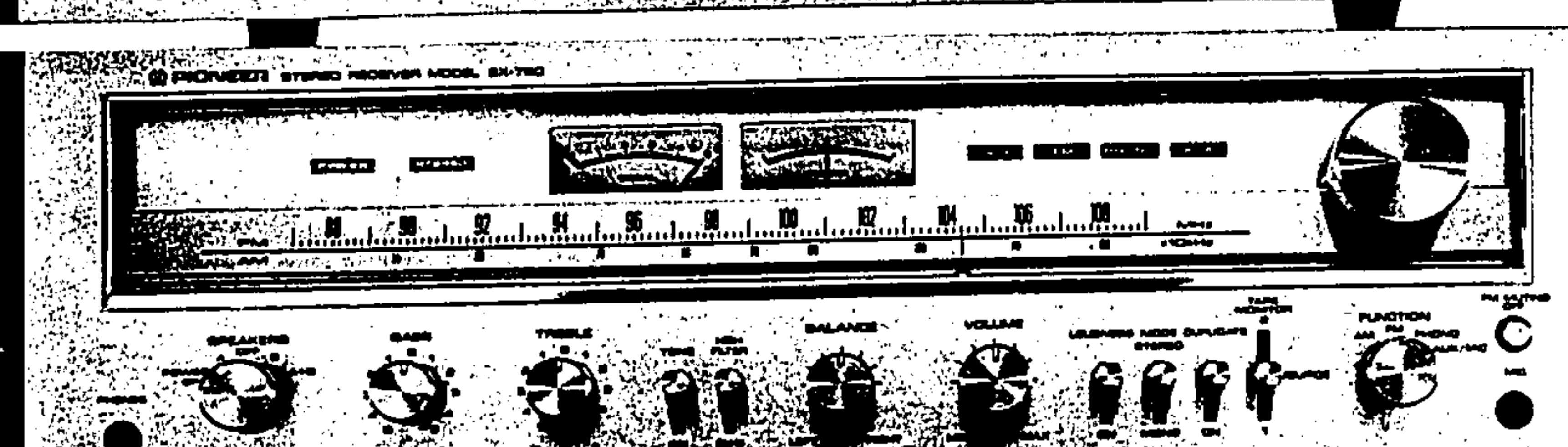
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The importance of Frederick Hagan today may be compared to the importance of Thomson and the Group of Seven to a generation or more ago. It would not be immodest to say that Frederick has been one of the most influential teachers of art in Canada. A list of the young artists who studied under him at the Ontario College of Art would read like an all-star cast of new Canadian painting from the early 1950's to

the present. A few of the many artists upon whom he has had an influence are David Blackwood, Graham Coughtry, Walter Bachinski and Dennis Burton.

Hagan's art is concerned with people, as the raw materials of today's environment. He has looked at the family where yesterday's immigrants, lost in a strange and alien land, now have roots, experience and a sense of the change which they have wrought and of which they have sometimes been the victims, sometimes the beneficiaries. His regenerative marvel is the cycle of life, growth and death, the family and the march of generations. His response to the Canadian north and the wilderness, and his preoccupation with life and death in that context, can be seen as a statement consistent with the perception of reality which can be inferred from his major works.

This exhibition is organized by the Grimsby Public Art Gallery, Grimsby Ontario.

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**SAN FRANCISCO [CUP]**—The Yippies hold their national spring convention in New York City on March 17, 18 and 19. Simultaneously, the Youth International Party is moving toward what they call the soft strategy — "taking what we can get and asking for — but never committing a felony when a misdemeanor will do."

The strategy, then, is to convert people who were previously put off by the Yippies' "outsider image," and to involve them in a struggle they can identify with. As part of that strategy, the Yippies are escalating their involvement in the struggle to decriminalize marijuana, which turns millions of otherwise law-abiding citizens into potential criminals.

The Yippies are devoting the month of April to a series of smoke-ins from Lubbock, Texas to Pittsburgh, including an April 16 "Spiro Agnew Memorial Smoke-in" in Baltimore.

On May 6 they hope to hold a national marijuana day smoke-in and parade up Fifth Avenue in Manhattan. And as the Youth International Party, they say, is a state of mind, one and all who think they fit in are welcome to their convention.




## The Church and the Bedroom


**Monday, March 20, 1978.** Does the church belong in the bedrooms of the nation? *The Human Encounter Group* will meet to discuss homosexuality and extramarital sex. Monday, March 20th, at 7:00 p.m. Thorneloe Classroom. Donuts and coffee will be served. Everyone is welcome. For more information please contact: Deborah Knuff at 566-4982 or Donna Draper at 673-5963.



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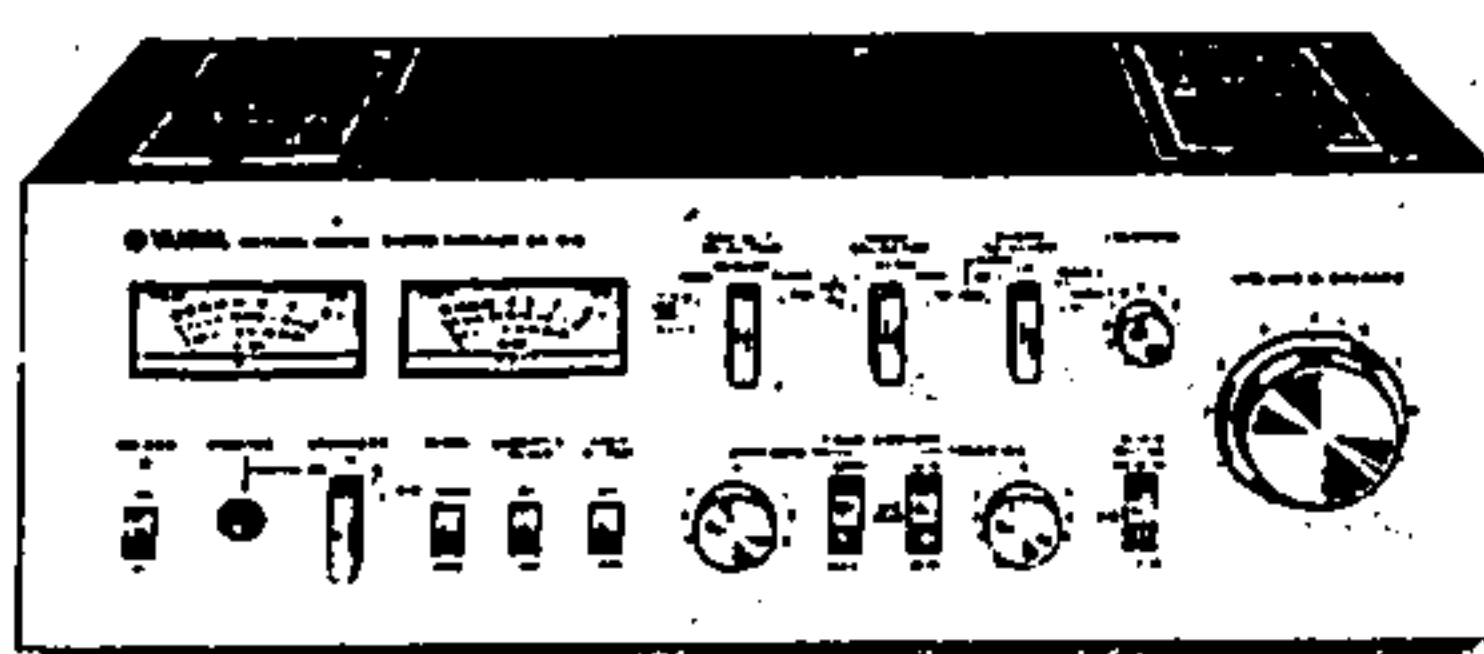


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